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WARD 2

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PAUL'S NOTE

Some numbers came in from California this month and it looks like many of our neighbors over there are still not taking water conservation seriously, this despite the long-term drought and water restrictions. Well, there's a group of kids right here in Tucson that are taking water conservation seriously and having a little fun with it.

Henry Elementary held an assembly this week to give out awards as part of the Conserve2Enhance program. Conserve2Enhance connects donors to a number of water conservation programs throughout our community.

Henry Elementary

students and community members have been involved in a number of projects, including:

Removing invasive species extensively from the school grounds and the adjacent wash

Planting native trees and grasses for soil stabilization, shade, and infiltration benefits

Building basins to retain stormwater and help with infiltration

Installing a rainwater cistern with the capacity of 3000 gallons, reducing the need for potable water use to irrigate plants

Repainting rusted railings around the wash, revitalizing the area and increasing visibility of the wash Replacing an empty lot with a xeriscaped parklet bordering the wash

Posting official wash signs in the area to bring public attention to this important natural feature

Henry student Quinn Huffman and his mother Emily were given awards for their outstanding volunteer work. Another student, Caleb Winters, was given an award for outstanding effort. Pastor Dan Johnson and Eastside Covenant Church were recognized for their work as a community volunteer, and B.J. Cordova and Vanessa Richter were recognized as sustainability advocates.

The City of Tucson,

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PAUL'S NOTE (CONTINUED)

TUSD Facilities Management and Pima County Juvenile Court did a lot to support the work at Henry, but a number of local businesses and community organizations did as well. Ace Hardware at Camino Seco and Broadway, Cub Scout Pack 760, Ethos Rainwater Harvesting, Girl Scout Troop 4, Harbor Freight, Home Depot, Janssen Pharmeceutical, Jerry Can Fix It, Lil John's Excavating all gave either sweat or material support. Community groups like Conservation Legacy and Trees for Tucson helped as well.

I can't wait to see what the kids from Henry can do next year.

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Mark your calendars for next Wednesday. I will be having a town hall with my friend Ray Carroll, our Pima County Supervisor. That will run from 6 to 7 pm over at the Udall Center, 7200 E Tanque Verde Road.

DISTRICT 4 TOWN HALL

Pima County District 4 Supervisor Ray Carroll Town Hall with special guest Paul Cunningham

Wednesday, May13, 2015

6 to 7 p.m.

Udall Center, 7200 East Tanque Verde Road



ITNGREATER TUCSON

Do you have the DRIVE to help people? Our seniors need your help!

Winter visitors are great volunteers and now is the time that they take all of their precious volunteer hours back to their 'home' communities. ITNGreaterTucson needs YOU more than ever!! Our seniors still need to go places and we can take them there with your help. Volunteer to drive once a week for the next few months and help keep our seniors active! Even people who take the bus other times of the year can't wait outside during the hot summer months, increasing the ever-growing demand for drivers. Please help by volunteering to drive between now and September. We will work with your schedule, just tell us what works for you!! Please contact Kathy or Bob at 520-209-1645 or visit our website at www.itngreatertucson.org

VETERAN'S FRIEND

Veteran's Friend's Mission is to make a positive difference in the quality of life of all senior veterans by providing a free service to inform and educate veterans, their families, and surviving spouses about a special VA pension for which they are often entitled but fail to understand.

VA Accredited claims Representative Robert Dhillon has a 100% success rate in obtaining VA pensions benefits. Join Robert for a free educational briefing where you will learn the truth about Veterans Benefits.

Robert Dhillon, president of REAL Solutions Services, operates Veteran's Friend to assist World War II, Korea and Vietnam wartime veterans and their spouses collect their tax-free VA pension, up to \$25,000 a year, to pay for long term health care.

Dates:May 16 and June 20

Time: 10:00 am

Location: Ward 2 Office, 7575 E Speedway.

SOUTHWEST GAS PROJECT INFORMATION

We will do our best to provide the most current information; however, please remember that construction schedules sometimes need to be adjusted due to weather, materials scheduling, utility coordination, or various other factors.

For additional project information, please contact our project hotline at 520.547.5383.

Installation of pipeline in Pantano Road, from Broadway to Speedway is completed with the exception of two crossings, one south of Baker and one south of Broadway, and remaining tie-ins.

Scheduled to take place the week of May 11th, crews will begin the crossing of Pantano Road, just south of Broadway Road. Restrictions will be in place for traffic to be shifted away from the work activity, and this work is estimated to take one week to complete.

Access to businesses and residences will be maintained. Please drive with caution through the construction area and obey traffic signage as it is placed for the safety of nearby residents, travelers and contractor crews. Thank you for your patience during this work

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CAROL WEST SENIOR CENTER

Arts and Crafts Show: Seniors will have an opportunity to enjoy an Arts and Crafts Show and breakfast at the Clements Center on Thursday, May 14. Departure from the Carol West Senior Addition is 9 am, and return is 12:30 pm. The cost is 5.00.

Memorial Day Breakfast: The Carol West Senior Addition will host a Memorial Day Breakfast on Thursday, May 21 at 9 am. The event will include a performance by the Star Spangled Seniors, and food sponsored by Brookdale Ventana Canyon.

For any questions, please contact 791-4121.

PARKS PROGRAMS

Spring Swim Schedule: The Spring Swim schedule for Udall Park and Ft. Lowell Park started April 1st. Contact the Aquatics Division at 791-4245/791-5352 or visit http://www.tucsonaz.gov/parks/aquatics#hours for pool locations and swim schedule.

Summer 2015 Program Guide and Class Catalog: The Summer 2015 Program Guide and Class Catalog will be available on Monday, April 20, 2015. The catalog can be picked-up at all Parks and Recreation facilities. It can be viewed on-line at www.ezeereg.com Contact the Registration Office at 791-4877 for additional information.

Tucson POPS Concerts: The Tucson POPS Concerts will take place on May 10, 17, 24, 31 and June 7 and 14. Concerts start at 7:00 p.m. at the DeMeester Outdoor Performance Center in Reid Park. There is a limited amount of seating at DeMeester which fills up quickly. Please bring chairs or a blanket.

The Arizona Symphonic Winds Concerts: The WINDS Concert series will take place May 16, 23, 30 and June 5. The program will take place at the Lazslo Veres Amphitheater in Udall Park. Concerts begin at 7:00 p.m. Please bring a chair or blanket.

Facility Closures: All Parks and Recreation facilities will be closed on Monday, May 25 in observance of Memorial Day.

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Tucsonaz.gov/ ward2 Remember to like Paul on Facebook! Please bring these items to the Ward 2 Office for the following charities:

THE COMMUNITY FOOD BANK—Non Perishable Items

DIAPER BANK OF SOUTHERN ARIZONA— Infant/Child/Adult Diapers

TIHAN - Personal Care Items for Individuals and Families in Need

LIONS CLUB—Eye Glasses

DANCING IN THE STREETS ARIZONA—Ballet/ Dance Equipment

CASA MARIA—Plastic bags

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

The next Mayor and Council meeting will be on Tuesday, May 19. Regular Session starts at 5:30 pm following an afternoon study session.

There is always a short call to the audience before the business portion of the meeting.

Council chambers are located downtown at 255 W Alameda.

The agendas for the meetings are posted online at http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/clerks/mcdocs

